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REMARKS

Claims 2-4 and 6-13 are pending in the application. Claim 3 is independent. Claims 1, 5 and 14-34 have been canceled.

Claims 2-4, 6-13, and 15-18 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e), as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,651,171 ("England").

In response, independent claim 3 has been amended to include at least one limitation not disclosed by England, and claims 15-18 have been canceled.

Each of dependent claims 2, 4, and 6-13 include at least one limitation not disclosed by England based on their dependence on independent claim 3, as amended. Accordingly, the rejections of claims 2-4 and 6-13 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) is respectfully requested.

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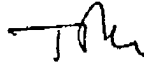
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CONCLUSION

Based on the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the rejections of claims 2-4 and 6-13 have been overcome, and that these claims are in condition for allowance. Therefore, a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested. Please charge any necessary fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-0221.

Respectfully submitted,

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